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Dear Friends,

We hope you will take the time to look at our programs, activities, and opportunities to connect. In our Mishkan T'filah prayer book we read a wonderful prayer by Sydney Greenberg that concludes with the words, "May this synagogue be, for all who enter, the doorway to a richer and more meaningful life." Where can that meaning be found? Where you let it in!

At a very difficult time for the Jewish community, we think it is essential not just to worry but to celebrate who we are and embrace our tradition. I want to encourage you to find ways to connect to your community at Temple Sholom. We know more than ever the value of being present with one another, whether that be in person or online. So, find your connection! We look forward to continuing to grow our sacred community together.

Best, Rabbi Peter Rigler rabbi@temple-sholom.org



Dear friends,

It has been so heartening to see the community drawing closer together the last few months as we've faced difficult times for our people. I know many of us are at turns scared, angry, confused, and exhausted, and our tradition teaches it's precisely those times when we come to synagogue to find comfort in prayer and support in community.

Temple Sholom is a thriving hub of Jewish life because of all of you! It's wonderful to see the many ways we can connect and engage with one another as we head into the winter and spring. There are opportunities for study, social justice, prayer, music, and fun, and I hope you explore all the options and find ways to participate that are meaningful to you.

May we all go from strength to strength! Cantor Jamie Marx cantor@temple-sholom.org





Welcome back to a new and exciting year of programming at Temple Sholom! I hope that you had the opportunity to participate in the many religious, educational, and cultural experiences on offer here through this past fall.

As you can see from this guide, our incredible staff have planned a variety of programs and activities for now through the spring. From Torah study to community volunteer opportunities, participation in one of our many committees or auxiliaries, it is never too late in the year to jump in and get involved. All our groups have an engaging scheduling of opportunities.

While many of these programs are now in person, we continue to offer a mix of virtual and in-person formats, in keeping with our recent practices.

I and the other members of the lay leadership look forward to seeing you at Temple Sholom! We wish a happy and healthy 2024 to all the members of our community.

B'Shalom, Steve Kanes President president@temple-sholom.org



Welcome to a new year and new opportunities to engage at Temple Sholom! While I was thinking about what to write for this program guide, I was drawn to the question of why we gather as a community. Temple Sholom is so much more than our spiritual home. We gather to share experiences, build connections, find support, celebrate moments of joy, and draw strength

from one another in times of sadness. We gather to learn and to pray. Gathering fosters a sense of community, belonging, and shared purpose, enriching our lives through shared moments and meaningful connections.

Our staff and lay leaders work hard to find meaningful ways for everyone to find their place here. But for us to be successful, we need your feedback, your ideas. As you look through this Program Guide, I want to challenge you to find one touchpoint, one opportunity that speaks to you and that makes you want to participate. If you don't see anything that interests you, contact me! Let me know what you would like to do or to experience. From there, please come to a program and introduce yourself to just one other person that you've never met before. Go out for coffee, grab lunch or drinks, and get to know one another. The best way to ensure that Temple Sholom is truly a home for all our members is to meet one another and to share your experiences.

This year, let's gather together with intention and with purpose. Let's build those connections and create memories together. Temple Sholom is here for you! Please participate.

Jeff Green Executive Director director@temple-sholom.org





Dear Temple Sholom Family,

WOW! What an incredibly busy Fall we had around here and what an even busier spring this is shaping up to be. We have so many exciting programs coming up and I can't wait to see you all there. From Barbie Purim to Adult Confirmation to all our auxiliary programming, there is much happening!

One of the beautiful things about Temple Sholom is that there is always something for everyone: adults, children, seniors, families. We include programming for everyone throughout the year which is a wonderful thing to see. If you have ideas for programming or would like to see more of something, please come talk to me. I would love to hear what you can bring to the table.

Please don't hesitate to reach out to me with any questions regarding all that we are offering. If any of your friends or family members would also like to participate, we would be thrilled to have them. Send them my way!

B'Shalom, Marissa Kimmel Director of Membership & Programming community@temple-sholom.org

Spring 2024

Our guide to Temple Sholom programs, classes, and community. Please look through our weekly emails to see how to access our programs. Our services can be found at our web page temple-sholom.org/webcast or through our Facebook page facebook.com/TempleSholomInBroomall Contact our office, 610-356-5165, if you need assistance with technology or if you need help accessing the programs.

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Rimon Highlights - Spring 2024



Welcome to Winter/Spring 5784! The Rimon Team is super excited to continue learning alongside you and your children. As we enter the second half of our year, we want to welcome back you and your family. Together we will discover, question, learn, laugh, and engage with each other. The goal for Rimon is to Inspire the Mind, Nurture the Heart, and Change the World. As we do so, we remember our Jewish values and that there is moral meaning in the learning we do together.

Social Justice, Social Action and Tikkun Olam (repairing the world) will frame our learning for the second half of the year when we explore Jewish values in Torah and our tradition. Through student-centered, Project Based

Learning methodologies, our learners and their families will not only learn these values but engage in hands-on experiences to enable the values to come alive. We love learning with our children and their families!

Below you will find important dates and opportunities for the second semester of the 2023-2024/5774 year:

Janua	ary	April	
11-15	JLF (9th-12th grades) travel to Arizona	7	Gesherim (6th grade) trip to the US Holocaust Museum
	with Tzedek America		IYUN Learning Circle for Parents (10:30 – 11:30am)
28	Bonim (Kind. & 1st grade) Family Education	12	Bet (4th grade) Shabbat
	Social Action Experience	14	IYUN Learning Circle for Parents (10:30 – 11:30am)
	-	21	IYUN Learning Circle for Parents (10:30 – 11:30am)
Febru	ary	28	Gesherim Torah Presentations and Move-up Day
9	Gesherim (6th grade) Shabbat		
11	Chaverim (2nd & 3rd grade) Family Education Social	May	
	Action Experience	5	Family Day – last Sunday
24	4th Grade Naming Ceremony (6:30 – 8:00pm)	6	Last Hebrew for 4th to 6th grades
		7	Last Hebrew for 4th to 6th grades
March	l		
3	Olim (4th & 5th grade) Family Education	For all	class dates and information, check out the Rimon
	Social Action Experience	Facebo	ok page, Temple Sholom website, and watch for the
8	Gimel (5th grade) Shabbat	Rimon	weekly updates emailed every Wednesday!
17	Purim Carnival for all families		
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		Rimon	Education Director
		educat	or@temple-sholom.org



Preschool Highlights - Spring 2024

Temple Sholom Preschool has been going strong. We have children from 3 months through 6 years old, from our warm and caring Infant Center to our Kindergarten students. Offering part-time or full-time hours, we have a schedule to meet your needs. We have certified and loving teachers who see the potential in every child and help them grow.

Temple Sholom Preschool is a warm and welcoming environment. We believe in hands-on, play-based learning giving each child the individual attention they need. We instill a strong love of Judaism through music, stories, food, and holiday celebrations. We have Friday morning Shabbat services and monthly Tot Shabbat services on the 2nd Friday of each month at 5:30 PM followed by a delicious dinner.

We have an active PTO who are working to plan programs for fundraising and family social events. We are excited to offer our famous Trivia Night on April 6th once again. For more information contact Lori-An Penchansky, Director of Early Education at 610-886-2065, or **preschool@temple-sholom.org**.



Shabbat Services

Shabbat Services are held live on Friday evenings at 7:30 PM with the exception of the second Friday of each month when Tot Shabbat is at 5:30 PM and Family Shabbat Services are at 7 PM. Services are available to be viewed on our website, www.temple-sholom.org/webcast, and Facebook Live. Oneg immediately follows services in the Multipurpose Room. If you would like to sponsor an Oneg in honor of a special milestone, please contact Jeff Green or Marissa Kimmel.

January 26	Shabbat Shira "The Sabbath of Song" featuring
	The Michael Kaplan Group (Jazz Band)
February 2	Adult Shabbat Dinner and HIAS Refugee Shabbat
February 23	Jewish Disabilities & Inclusion Awareness Month
	Shabbat featuring Jordan Schubert
February 24	Lay Led Shabbat Morning Service
June 14	Shabbat in the Lot

Bar and Bat Mitzvah

We are delighted that we can celebrate such beautiful simchas with our Temple Sholom family. Mazel Tov to all our B'nei Mitzvah Students and their families! Bar and Bat Mitzvah services take place on Saturday mornings at 10:30 AM and are available on Livestream unless otherwise noted. Check Temple emails as each date approaches.

January 6	Bat Mitzvah of Sophie Porter
January 20	Bar Mitzvah of Graeme Chapman
January 27	Bar Mitzvah of Micah Foster
February 3	Bar Mitzvah of Noah Mish
March 9	Bar Mitzvah of Benjamin Morel
March 16	Bar Mitzvah of Kalyaan Levy
April 6	Bar Mitzvah of Luca Saks
May 4	Bat Mitzvah of Sari Feinberg
May 11	Bat Mitzvah of Eva Sannes
May 18	B'nei Mitzvah of Alanna Peters
June 1	B'nei Mitzvah of Adam & Alexander Nixon
June 7	B'nei Mitzvah of Brayden & Colby O'Connell



Temple Sholom Classes and Programs

Cooking Demo & Book Signing with Leah Koenig, author of Portico January 27, 6:30 PM

We hope you join us as we welcome author Leah Koenig for a cooking demo and book signing! This will not be a full dinner. You will get samples of everything she prepares.

\$50/person (includes a copy of her new cookbook Portico which she will sign that night)
\$25/person (does not include a copy of the book)

You may pay online (https://templesholominbroomall. shulcloud.com/form/leah-koenig.html) or by check (made out to Temple Sholom with "Leah Koenig" on the memo line).

Argentina Program with Jacob Shoshan February 4, 7 PM on Zoom

Jacob Shoshan, licensed tour guide in Israel and lecturer at various universities in Israel, will guide us on a virtual journey to the heart of Argentina, where a unique and captivating story unfolds—the tale of the Baron Hirsch Jewish Colonies. Shoshan was born in Jerusalem, serves as a reserve office in the IDF, and now leads tours around the world. He has been to 107 countries and led tours in 66 of them (on 6 different continents).

Picture this: vast landscapes, vibrant communities, and a fusion of Jewish heritage with the spirit of the Argentine countryside. In the late 19th and early 20th centuries, visionary philanthropist Baron Hirsch established farming villages in

Argentina, drawing over 10,000 Jews seeking a new beginning. A remarkable fusion of cultures ensued—Yiddish-speaking gauchos navigating the vast pampas, creating a narrative unlike any other.

As we delve into this lesser-known chapter of Jewish history, you'll discover the resilience and resourcefulness of these pioneers who, against all odds, transformed the Argentine landscape. The Baron Hirsch Jewish Colonies became a vibrant tapestry, weaving together Jewish traditions with the agricultural rhythm of South America. We'll explore the daily lives of these settlers, their agricultural pursuits, and the communal spirit that thrived in these villages. Imagine Yiddish mingling with the melodies of tango and traditional Jewish recipes, finding a place at the Argentine asado. It's a harmonious blend of two worlds, creating a unique cultural mosaic.

Join us as we virtually traverse the landscapes once tread by these Yiddish-speaking gauchos. We'll uncover the stories etched into the architecture of the colonies, visit local markets resonating with the aromas of Jewish and Argentine cuisine, and connect with descendants preserving this rich heritage. This isn't just a journey through space; it's a voyage through time, exploring the resilience of a community that found home in the embrace of Argentina. So, buckle up as we embark on a virtual expedition to the Baron Hirsch Jewish Colonies, where history, culture, and tradition converge in the heart of the pampas. ¡Vamos!

Adult Confirmation with Rabbi Rigler and Cantor Marx

Based on Sarah Hurwitz's Here All Along: Finding Meaning, Spirituality, and A Deeper Connection to Life - in Judaism (After Finally Choosing to Look There)

This program is for those who have participated in other adult learning and feel ready for the next step. This will culminate with a service led by you our adult confirmands. You do not have to have been a B'nei Mitzvah, or an Adult B'nei Mitzvah and you can have already been confirmed. Contact Rabbi Rigler for more information, RabbiRigler@gmail.com

The class will meet Tuesdays from 6-7 pm on the following dates: April 9, April 16, May 7, May 14, May 21, May 28, and June 4. Adult Confirmation will take place on June 11 at 7 pm during Erev Shavuot services.

Yom HaShoah Memorial Name Reading May 5-6

For 24 hours, we will be reading names of those who perished in the Holocaust. A Signup Genius Link will be sent out to sign up for a 15- or 30-minute time slot to read names throughout all hours of the day and night. We will begin at 7 PM on May 5 with a Yom HaShoah Memorial Service and end at 7 PM on May 6. The reading will be streamed online to our website. All ages are encouraged to participate.

Texts & Topics with the Rabbi

This weekly course, offered by Rabbi Peter Rigler, is an exploration of the Tanakh (The Torah, Prophets, and Writings). Each session explores the traditional texts and raises modern questions. It is a fun participatory session open to adults of all levels and comfort with the text. You will find the group to be warm and welcoming! Please just check the calendar for dates we are not meeting.

Classes meet most Wednesdays (Jan.4, 18, 25, Feb. 1, 22, Mar. 1, 8, Apr. 19, 26, May 3, 10, 24, 31, June 7) at 10:30am both in person and on Zoom. Dates are subject to change due to unforeseen circumstances.

Torah Study

Temple Sholom hosts a Torah Study session for one hour on most Shabbat mornings at 10:30 AM. Mostly lay-led, we invite members of the community to Zoom in and participate, as well as to sign up to lead a session if you are able. There are still several dates open. Contact Lawrence Husick with questions, lawrence@lawhusick.com.

Sessions meet most Shabbat mornings at 10:30 AM on Zoom.

Virtual Introduction to Judaism Class with the URJ

Introduction to Judaism is an engaging course for adults interested in exploring a modern take on Jewish life. In our 20 weekly classes, you will explore a wide range of topics covering many aspects of Jewish life including holidays, life cycle, core beliefs, prayer, the Bible and other sacred texts, history, antisemitism and the Holocaust, Israel, the North American Jewish experience, and the diversity of the Jewish people today. There is also a version of the class taught in ASL.

Visit this site for the standard class: https://reformjudaism.org/learning/judaism-classes/introduction-judaism/urj-introduction-judaism-online-course-overview

Visit this site for the ASL class: https://reformjudaism. org/learning/judaism-classes/introduction-judaism/ introduction-judaism-online-taught-american-sign

Temple Sholom Groups

Brotherhood

Our Brotherhood continues to be a wonderful social avenue for the men of our congregation. We are looking forward to having exciting programs in the Spring, like Poker Night. Contact Robert Fein, brotherhood@temple-sholom.org, to join.

Culture Club

The word is out: Culture Club has become a social scene. We are energetic and outgoing adults who know we are cooler than our adult kids think we are! We prove it by trying out new activities, cultural experiences or adventures by foot in a welcoming and fun setting. Join us as a couple or super solo. Bring your friends! Most events are free of charge unless otherwise indicated. Put these upcoming events on your 2024 calendar. Details will be forthcoming via email.

January 27	Rock Out with Cantor Marx and his band,
	The Lucky Break, at The Rusty Nail
March 23	"Purim for Grown-Ups" Schnapps Social
	(5:30 pm) & Purim Spiel (7 pm)

Hilltoppers

Hilltoppers has had quite an exciting Fall and we are eager to continue our wonderful programming in the Spring. Our Board meets regularly the first Thursday of each month to further the success of Hilltoppers. Our Book Club continues to meet the second Thursday of each month at 1:30 PM on Zoom. Anyone and everyone is welcome to join our Book Club and any of our programs. Contact

hilltoppers@temple-sholom.org with any questions.

February 15	Zoom program featuring Jewish Book
	Council author Rosanne M. Leipzig, MD,
	PhD, author of Honest Again: An Insider's
	Guide to the Second Half of Life (the book
	is available in the Temple Sholom Library)
March 21	Performance and sing-a-long with

Performance and sing-a-long with

congregant Minnie Kalan

April Technology & Support with Joanna Gould

(Date TBD)

Hilltoppers Book Club

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January 11	Dear Edward by Ann Napolitano
	(facilitated by Bobbi Schoenstadt)
March 14	When Your Family Says No by Laya
	Martinez (facilitated by Karen Scheikowitz)
April 11	The Little Liar by Mitch Albom
	(facilitated by Jim Meyer)
June 13	Wisdom of Morrie by Morrie Schwartz

(facilitated by Sherrie Kremens)

Sisterhood

Sisterhood is looking forward to continuing being active during the Spring. Just as we partnered with Rimon for Hanukkah, we look forward to working together again for Purim. We have many exciting things planned for the Spring so be on the lookout! Contact sisterhood@temple-sholom.org with any questions.

Sisterhood Programs

February 8, 7pm Movie Night at the home of Lisa & Mike Pottiger: showing the movie Hidden with in person appearances by directors and producers

March 11, 7pm Mini Jewish Journeys Program

on Zoom

Sisterhood Book Club

January 11	The Earthquake Child by Jewish Book
	Council author Elayne Klasson (who will be
	joining us on Zoom that evening to discuss
	his book)
March 16	Coco at the Ritz by Gloria Dilberto (who
	will be joining us on Zoom that evening to
	discuss her book)
May 2	Code Name Sapphire by Pam Jenoff
July 11	Bessie by Linda Kass

ToaSTY

Temple Sholom's Youth Group for 8th-12th graders and Jr. ToaSTY for our middle school students is getting ready for the spring! Be on the lookout for our winter and spring programs. They are great ways to see your Temple Sholom friends! Contact Marissa Kimmel or Max Miller with any questions, toasty@temple-sholom.org or gesherim@temple-sholom.org.

Women's Spirituality

Jewish women's studies sessions open to all Temple women and featuring a variety of speakers. This group meets the fourth Wednesday of each month at 7 PM. Contact Kavita Goyal, kavitalevy@gmail.com, for more information.

January 24	Rabbi Ariel Tarash
February 28	Lori Green, Education Director
March 27	Anna Marx, Executive Director of The
	Hebrew Free Loan Society
April 24	Rabbi Leah Berkowitz
May 22	Special Outdoor Program!
June 26	Special Closing Program!



Purim

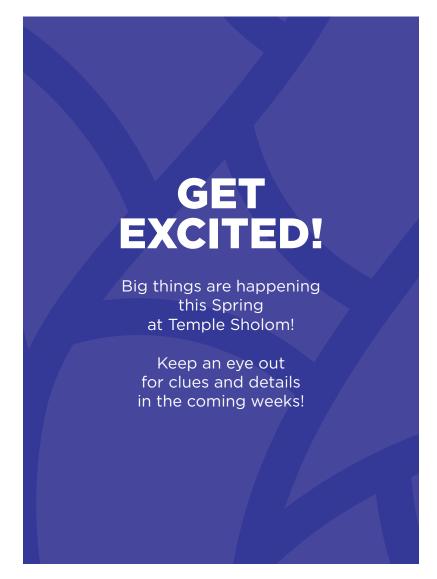
Our Purim Spiel this year is The Barbie Megillah! The Purim Carnival will be Sunday, March 17 in the morning during Rimon.

The Spiel is Saturday, March 23 at 7 PM. All are welcome!

Passover

Passover begins Monday, April 22. Are you looking for somewhere to share a seder? Do you have a home you want to open for those looking? If so, we would love to organize and help make this come to fruition!

Contact Donna Hendel, **donnahendel@gmail.com**, or Marissa Kimmel, **community@temple-sholom.org**, if you are interested in hosting or joining a seder within our community.



Opportunities to Support Temple Sholom

Temple Sholom in Broomall is honored to be a part of your life in so many ways: Prayer, Life Cycle Events, Bar/Bat Mitzvah, Child and Adult Education, Social Justice, and Social Programming. Consider donating to one of our Temple Sholom funds today to secure continued excellence of all that we do. Visit our website to donate online or mail a donation directly to Temple Sholom. If you would like to speak to one of our staff regarding a gift please contact us. We also ask that you consider a legacy gift to our community. We thank you for your donation and continued support of Temple Sholom in Broomall.

Cantor's Discretionary Fund

Contributions to this fund will be used at the discretion of our Cantor.

Capital Improvements Fund

This fund supports major improvements to our facility above and beyond routine maintenance.

Danowitz Junior Youth Fund

To support the ongoing informal education efforts of our younger students.

Excellence in Early Childhood Education Fund

To support the programs of the Etta Natalie Rosenblatt Preschool.

Financial Assistance

To offset the reduction of revenue incurred when a Temple Sholom family cannot afford to pay their total dues. Contributions go directly into the General Fund.

General Fund

To support Temple operations.

Hospice and Healing Fund

To assist the Hospice Committee in carrying out its support programs.

Howard Weiner Library Fund

An endowment fund in which the interest is used to purchase books and supplies for the library.

Inclusion and Special Needs Fund

To purchase services, supplies, and equipment to assist congregants, students, and guests in need of accommodations that enable them to participate fully in all aspects of congregation life.

Jubilee Endowment Fund

To secure the future of Temple Sholom.

Marlene B. Kleinman Campership Fund

Interest is used to send students to a URJ camp each year.

Mayer Selekman Jewish Leadership Fund

To provide grants for graduate study toward becoming a Jewish professional.

Oneg Shabbat Sponsorship Fund

To partially or wholly offset the cost of Oneg Shabbats for members requiring assistance to do so.

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

Contributions to this fund will be used at the discretion of our Rabbi.

Religious School Education Fund

To support programs, special events and materials for education at all levels. Contributions can be earmarked for Women's Spirituality Group studies at the donor's discretion.

Cantor Patrice Kaplan Chair for Sacred Music Endowment

To endow the cantorial position at Temple Sholom, ensuring the future of Jewish music in our congregation.

Temple Beautiful Fund

To improve and maintain the aesthetics of the Temple, including decor, furnishings, grounds and gardens.

Sanctuary Book Fund

To defray the cost of purchasing books for our sanctuary. A book plate is placed in each book indicating the donor's name and the occasion, for a minimum donation of \$36.

Scholar-In-Residence Fund

To help bring scholars to present and engage with the Temple Community, since 1983.

Technology Fund

To maintain and improve all aspects of technology, including our new Webcast used by Temple Sholom.

Tzedakah (Food) Fund

To feed the hungry in our community. Contributions are distributed at the close of each fiscal year to outside charities at the discretion of a special Tzedakah committee.

Youth Scholarship Fund

To send Temple Sholom Youth Group members to National Federation of Temple Youth (NFTY) sponsored events. Scholarships are awarded based on financial need.

Sanctuary Chair Plaques: \$180 Virtual Yahrzeit Plaque: \$180 Virtual Yahrzeit Plaque with Photo and Biography: \$360 Memorial Plaques: \$1000

Legacy

Your commitment to Temple Sholom in Broomall creates a legacy for our community & for all of Judaism.

Donations of any size will create a legacy for now & long into the future.

Legacy Options: Simple bequest in will/ trust, IRA or pension plan, Life insurance policy, Charitable gift annuity, Charitable remainder trust, Outright gifts of cash *please consult with your legal advisor to determine the best option for you

Contributions also may be made directly to the Temple Sholom Brotherhood, Sisterhood, Hilltoppers, or Women's Spirituality.



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